LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7105 DATE PREPARED: Jan 8, 2002

BILL NUMBER: HB 1347 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Public Safety Worker Occupational Diseases.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

 $\overline{\underline{X}}$ DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill creates a presumption that an emergency services employee or a public safety employee who incurs death or disability from a health condition caused by hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, or tuberculosis acquired while performing duties in the scope of the employee's employment and meets other requirements has incurred a death or disability in the line of duty.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Creating a presumption that the deaths and/or disabilities are a result of a health condition caused by hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, or tuberculosis acquired while performing duties in the scope of the employee's employment expands the definition of death and disability and will increase the costs associated with these benefits.

The employees affected by this bill include State Police, conservation and excise officers; and correctional officers

[NOTE: This part of the fiscal note will be updated upon receipt of data from the actuary for the pension funds involved.]

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: See Explanation of State Expenditures.

The employees affected by this bill include local police and firefighters, county police officers, county sheriffs, town marshals, deputy town marshals, and emergency medical services providers.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

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State Agencies Affected: State Police; Department of Natural Resources; and Department of Corrections.

Local Agencies Affected: Counties, cities, towns, townships.

Information Sources:

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